

**CONTOURED DISC DRIVE HEAD SURFACE AND METHOD****Abstract of the Disclosure**

A method of contouring a surface portion of a head for a disc drive includes positioning  
5 the head over a park zone of a disc and rotating the disc while maintaining the head positioned  
substantially over the park zone to produce a contour on the surface portion of the head. A disc  
drive includes a disc rotatably mounted on a spindle motor mounted on a base and an actuator  
assembly mounted adjacent the disc, the actuator assembly having an actuator arm including a  
distal end supporting a head over a surface of the disc. The head includes a head surface portion  
10 facing the disc surface, wherein the head surface portion has been contoured by positioning the  
head over a park zone on the disc and maintaining the head positioned substantially over the park  
zone of the disc while rotating the disc for a selected time so as to burnish the head surface  
portion.